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SUBJECT: SUGAR ACT AND EXPROPRIATION CASES

REF: SANTO DOMINGO 1258 (NOTAL)

1. CHAIRMAN POAGE HAS MADE IT CLEAR IN CONVERSATIONS WITH DEPT OFFICIALS THAT HE AND SEVERAL OTHER MEMBERS OF HOUSE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE WILL SEEK CHANGES IN EXPROPRIATION PROVISIONS OF CURRENT SUGAR ACT (SECTION 408 (C)). THIS BASED IN PART ON OUTSTANDING CASES BUT ALSO ON DESIRE HAVE EFFECTIVE REMEDIAL PROVISION IN LEGISLATION AVAILABLE TO POTENTIAL U.S. CLAIMANTS. APPELATE-YOUNGQUIST AND BENITEZ REXACH CASES WERE ONLY CASES PRESENTED DURING RECENT HEAR-
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2. DEPT HAS ALSO RECEIVED LETTER FROM CHAIRMAN LONG OF SENATE FINANCE COMMITTEE WHICH REQUESTS US TO INFORM GOB OF LONG'S CONCERN OVER LACK OF SETTLEMENT APPELATE-YOUNGQUIST CASE. IT ALSO ASKS FOR FULL REPORT ON ALL OUTSTANDING CASES WHEN DEPT WITNESS TESTIFIES BEFORE HIS COMMITTEE AFTER HOUSE PASSES BILL.

3. WHILE WE UNABLE AT THIS TIME JUDGE LIKELY OUTCOME OF EFFORTS AMEND SECTION 408 (C), GOB AND GODR SHOULD UNDERSTAND THAT FAILURE RESOLVE PENDING CASES COULD AFFECT THEIR QUOTA LEVELS OR, UNDER ONE PROPOSAL, RESULT IN SPECIAL FEE ON THEIR SUGAR EXPORTS TO U.S.

4. EMBASSIES SHOULD BE AWARE THAT AD HOC SUBCOMMITTEE INTENDS MAKE BASIC DECISIONS ON BILL TO BE REPORTED IN NEAR FUTURE. FULL COMMITTEE AND HOUSE CONSIDERATION NOT YET SCHEDULED. RUSH

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